GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

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VIGIL ALONG INDO-SRI LANKA COAST
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India and Sri Lanka have jointly planned to step up vigil along the coast to prevent smuggling of narcotics;

(b) if so, whether any agreement has been made between the two countries in that regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) to (c): No, Sir. There is no formal agreement between India and Sri-Lanka for stepping up vigil along Indo-Sri Lanka Coast. However, there is an exchange of intelligence and information under South Asian Association for Regional Co-operation (SAARC) convention on Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic substances.